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For : METHOD FOR MODIFYING VALIDITY OF A CERTIFICATE USING BIOMETRIC
INFORMATION IN PUBLIC KEY INFRASTRUCTURE-BASED AUTHENTICATION SYSTEM

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TO LESSEN FEES

Honorable Commissioner for Patents

February 26, 2002

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-
identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 8-11 as follows:

8. (Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the user system
includes a biometric information input unit for inputting the
biometric information of the user.

9. (Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the biometric
information is information about a user's unique fingerprint.

10. (Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the biometric information is information about a user's unique iris.

11. (Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the biometric information is information about a user's unique face feature vector.

Please add new claims 12-15 as follows:

-- 12. (New) The method of claim 3, wherein the user system includes
a biometric information input unit for inputting the biometric information of the user.

13. (New) The method of claim 3, wherein the biometric information is information about a user's unique fingerprint.

14. (New) The method of claim 3, wherein the biometric information is information about a user's unique iris.

15. (New) The method of claim 3, wherein the biometric information is information about a user's unique face feature vector. --

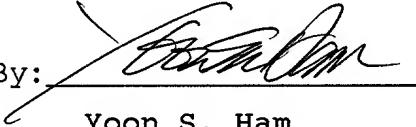
R E M A R K S

The foregoing Preliminary Amendment is requested in order to delete the multiple dependent claims and avoid paying the multiple dependent claims fee.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current Amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with Markings to Show Changes Made".

Early action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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Please amend claims 8-11 as follows:

8. (Amended) The method of claim 1 [or claim 3], wherein the user system includes a biometric information input unit for inputting the biometric information of the user.

9. (Amended) The method of claim 1 [or claim 3], wherein the biometric information is information about a user's unique fingerprint.

10. (Amended) The method of claim [1 or claim 3], wherein the biometric information is information about a user's unique iris.

11. (Amended) The method of claim 1 [or claim 3], wherein the biometric information is information about a user's unique face feature vector.